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MEETINGS

2nd SATURDAY of the MONTH
9:00 a.m.
DODGE COUNTY AIRPORT

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON
SATURDAY, MAY 14

At Wisconsin Aviation, Dodge County Airport
Juneau, WI

Board Meeting:
Same day and place as the chapter meeting.
8:00 a.m. sharp

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Prez's Principles

Ok troops, were about to enter into our Spring Fling with a flurry of activities to keep us very active. There will be activity and fun for all to participate and say they were aviation active. Remember, this will help your rocking chair portfolio for aviation bragging rights!

Did you ever notice how when you are away from things that it takes a bit to get back into the groove? If you have been a little stagnant the last few months, you can get on board and re-group in Chapter activity so you can come out of the mothball state easily. Check your Chapter Calendar and the other articles in the News Letter and find something that meets your nitch. You have aviation friends awaiting your arrival as you are cleared to land!

We need to thank the Luedtke's (Linda, Ben, and Stu), Konz's (Candy, Pat), Winkel's (Carol, Dennis), Tim Hoversten, Rick Gempeler, and Mike Digman, who along with yours truly completed the Chapter Hangar Spring Clean Up project. We have thinned out some of the out dated stored atria-facts. ANYONE wanting the MAGAZINE Collection we have, free for the taking, has until 5/14/2005 to do so. There is quite a collection of great aviation reading.

This coming meeting we should have some "Sun N Fun" reports along with other Chapter Activity and a Guest Speaker.

Check out our chapter website

www.eaa897.org.

See Ya SSOOOOOOONNNNN.

Dick

CHAPTER BREAKFAST JUNE 5, 2005

Don't forget our chapter breakfast. We can always use more help! Contact Bob Krueger at bnkrueger@powerweb.net. After our breakfast, EAA Chapter 18 is sponsoring a Brat and Burger Bash at Capitol Drive Airport .

COMING EVENTS

May 14, 2005 Third Annual Pancake Breakfast and Brat Lunch, Wittman Regional Airport Oshkosh WI (OSH)

7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Proceeds to benefit Civil Air Patrol, planned activities, breakfast and lunch, air rides, children's activities, raffle.

Jon Jury (920)424-8090

E-mail: jjury@orian www.orionflight services.com

May 15, 2005 Fly-in breakfast, Tri-County Airport Spring Green WI (LNR)

Pancake breakfast

7 a.m. to noon

Marc Higgs (608)583-2600

May 21, 2005 Lumberjack breakfast Sparta/Fort McCoy Airport, Sparta WI (CMY)

7 a.m. to noon

Lumberjack breakfast provided by local eagles club.

Shuttle to Fort McCoy Armed Forces Day activities.

Jordan Skiff 608) 269-6511

e-mail: dpw@ci.sparta.wi.us

May 22, 2005 Palmyra, Sport pilot Seminar

1 p.m.

May 22, 2005 Pancake Breakfast

Brodhead WI (C37)

7 a.m. to noon

Breakfast and rides (608)756-3726

May 28, 2005 Luncheon fly-in

Wautoma Municipal Airport Wautoma WI (Y50)

www.y50.org

May 29, 2005 EAA Chapter 371 Breakfast Fly-in Portage Municipal Airport, Portage WI (C47)

7 a.m. to noon

Donations welcome.

John Poppy (608)742-3300

June 5, 2005 Our own Fly-in Breakfast at Dodge County Airport. Help is always welcome. Contact any chapter officer or Bob Krueger. Come out and have some fun and good food.

June 5, 2005 Brat'n Burger Luncheon at Capitol Drive Airport. A good place to go after our breakfast at Dodge County Airport.



YOUNG EAGLE FLIGHTS

Contact:

Linda Ludtke (920)-885-2480

Glenn Ingram (920) 887-2507

Dodge Co. Airport (920) 386-2402

EAA MUSEUM ACTIVITIES

On Saturday, May 14, the EAA AirVenture Museum will host "Hops & Props," a premier microbrew tasting event coordinated by EAA, The Oshkosh Northwestern, and Fox River Brewing Company. The evening will include premium micro-beers, a commemorative tasting glass, catered hors d'oeuvres and four live music groups. A VIP Beer School is also available.

Proceeds from the evening will benefit EAA's youth education initiatives.

Call 800-236-1025. or visit www.eaa.org/hops&props

NEW VISUAL WARNING SYSTEM FOR RESTRICTED AIRSPACE AROUND WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Visual Warning System (VWS) is designed to warn pilots who have entered the Air Defense Identification Zone (ADIZ) over the Washington, D.C. area without the authorization of Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Air Traffic Control. VWS is a ground-based system that uses safety-tested low-level beams of alternating red and green lights to alert pilots that they are flying without approval in designated, restricted airspace. These visually conspicuous lights, distinct from other light signals currently used by FAA Air Traffic Control, are designed to provide a clear warning to pilots who enter the ADIZ without authorization and cannot be contacted on the radio by Air Traffic Control. The VWS will become operational in the Washington DC area on May 21, 2005.

9 April 2005
EAA Chapter 897 Meeting

President Dick Blawusch brought the April, 2005 meeting to order at 0905 at the Dodge County Airport.

Dick introduced our newest member, Jason Roy.

Dick read Glenn Ingram's Treasurer's report. The members present approved the report.

Vice President Dave Odekirk reported that the majority of the members who had returned the hangar survey do not want to use up the available room within the existing hangar. Most agreed with the idea of adding a patio or enclosed area to the South side of the hangar.

There was further discussion with input from every person present. Possibilities included do nothing, stay in the existing hangar and expand, or some choice that included buy another hangar. Ballots were passed out. The members voted (11 votes) to acquire another site, construct a new hangar, and sell the existing hangar. Keeping the existing hangar and buying another separate hangar received 7 votes. Keeping existing hangar and adding to it received 2 votes. Doing nothing received no votes.

Dale Wahl volunteered to begin to investigate our options for the site and hangar. We will start to get the word out that we may soon have a hangar for sale. There are 7 individuals on the hangar committee.

The spring cleanup date for the hangar was set for April 20.

Tommy told the members that he had paid for engineering work in preparation to building his hangar. Any person who is considering building a hangar should contact him for assistance.

There was discussion on the possibility of installing a keyless data logging entry system for the new hangar. The members present approved the purchase of the system.

Items that were purchased for the use of the chapter last month included Com radio batteries and safety vests. The vests will have Chap. 897 imprinted on them. Plans were discussed for the purchase of the flagpole (previously approved) and for the purchase of two picnic tables for the hangar.

There was discussion on plans to travel to Oshkosh for a volunteer workday. The members agreed on May 14, 1-5 p.m. We will car pool from the airport, or fly to OSH.

George Bamman volunteered to fill out the 2005 Nomination Forms to be submitted to Headquarters for Newsletter Editor, Web Editor and Major Achievement Awards. Please contact George at 608-742-4798 or gbamman@hotmail.com if you would like to nominate an individual for the Major Achievement Award. Who do you feel has done the most for Chapter 897 and or EAA in the past year, and why?

Upcoming events:

- Apr 23 Schaumburg fly-out
- May 14 Oshkosh volunteer day
- May 31 YE day, expect 40-50 YE's. We need pilots and ground crew volunteers.
- June 5 897 Pancake Breakfast. Please sign up, and bring 2 items for the bake sale.

The meeting concluded at 10:47 am.

Respectfully submitted,
George Bamman
Secretary

TOMMY CRISTEA-RIST, SASA, AND CRISTINA SEREMET'S NEW HANGAR IS TAKING SHAPE



Stop in at Dodge County Airport anytime and you are likely to find Tommy and Sasa high on scaffolding assembling their new hangar. Concrete was scheduled for Monday, May 9 but the weather didn't look good as of this printing.

AIRBARN 380 FLIES

Weights

A380-800 - Operating empty (610,700 lb.), max takeoff (1,234,600 lb.).

A380-800F - Operating empty (555,600 lb.), max takeoff (1,300,700 lb.).

Dimensions

A380-800 - Wing span (261 ft 10 in), length (238 ft 8 in).
Height (79 ft)

Capacity

A380-800 - Flightcrew of two. Standard seating for 555 passengers on two decks in a three class arrangement. Qantas plans to fit its aircraft with 523 seats (in three classes). A380 has 49% more floor area but only 35% more seats (in 555 seat configuration) than the 747-400, allowing room for passenger amenities such as bars, gymnasiums and duty free shops. Cargo capacity 38 LD3s, 13 pallets or 70 head of cattle at 2000# each.

Does it have an automatic barn cleaner? (Watch out below!)

Fuel consumption is measured in **Barrels per mile!**



SNOOZING WHILE CRUISING OK IN EUROPE

As seen in avweb.com

Professional pilots in Europe have been told that it's OK to take a nap while flying, as long as they remain at their post, strapped into their seat at the controls (if only we could get away with that). The Joint Aviation Authorities (JAA) last week issued new guidelines saying that a quick cockpit snooze up to 45 minutes long is allowed, the UK Mirror reported on Saturday. The "controlled rest" is OK only in the cruising phase, where pilot tasks are less demanding, the JAA said. There's nothing new about pilots napping -- one pilot told the Mirror he once woke up to find all three pilots in the cockpit had nodded off at once. The new policy requires that a member of the cabin crew schedule a wake-up call. A spokesman for the British pilots union, BALPA, said naps aren't the solution to pilot fatigue. BALPA suggests that schedules should allow for adequate rest between flights. But in a long-haul situation, there should be procedures to allow for adequate rest aloft. BALPA has raised concerns in the past about fatigue issues. When large aircraft like the A380 go into service, some flights will be up to 20 hours long, and more study is needed to find the best way to ensure crews get enough rest, BALPA said. Meanwhile, a captain for Alitalia was fired last month for leaving the cockpit to sleep in a bunk during a flight from Rome to Miami, according to The Mirror.